

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 7, Paragraph 4 rewrite as follows:

Q3 According to a first preferred embodiment of the present invention, the compounds, represented by formula (I), constituting the mixture each are such that R represents a C_aH_{2a-k-1} group and T represents an OH group.

Page 7, Paragraph 5

Q4 According to a second preferred embodiment of the present invention, the compounds, represented by formula (I), constituting the mixture each are such that R represents an $Ra-C_aH_{2a-k-2}$ group and T represents an OH group.

Page 8, second paragraph, rewrite as follows:

According to a fifth preferred embodiment of the present invention, the mixture of compounds represented by formula (I) is composed of:

Q5 a compound represented by formula (I) wherein R represents a C_aH_{2a-k-1} group and T represents an OH group, R, EO, PO, and T being attached to one another in that order to represent formula $R-(EO)_n-(PO)_m-T$; and

a compound represented by formula (I) wherein R represents a C_aH_{2a-k-1} group and T represents an OH group, R, EO, PO, and T being attached to one another in that order to represent formula $R-(PO)_m-(EO)_n-T$.